HOUSE BILL 3018

By Richardson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47, relative to international driver's licenses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 47-18-104(b), is amended by adding the following as new subdivision (46):

(46)

- (A) The act or practice of directly or indirectly advertising, promoting, selling, or offering for sale international driver's licenses. It is a *per se* violation of this subdivision to:
 - (i) Misrepresent that any international driver's license sold or offered for sale confers a privilege to operate a motor vehicle on the streets and highways in this state; or
 - (ii) Represent that any international driver's license sold or offered for sale is of a particular standard, quality or grade.
 - (B) For purposes of this subdivision, unless the context otherwise requires:
 - (i) "International driver's license" means a document that purports to confer a privilege to any person who is not a United States citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States to operate a motor vehicle on the streets and highways in this state and is not issued by a governmental entity. Such document may be a translation into a language other than the one in which it was issued of a valid driver license issued by a country or political subdivision of a country other than the United States. Such document may be an imitation of an international driving permit.

- (ii) "International driving permit" means the document issued by a duly authorized automobile association to a holder of a valid driver license which grants such holder the privilege to operate a motor vehicle in countries or international bodies that are signatory parties to Article 24 of the 1949 United Nations Convention on Road Traffic, pursuant to 3 U.S.T. § 3008.
- (C) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, and without limiting the scope of this section, a violation of this subdivision (b)(46) shall be punishable by a non-remedial civil penalty of a minimum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to a maximum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) per violation. Civil penalties assessed under this subdivision (b)(46) are separate and apart from the remedial civil penalties authorized in § 47-18-108(b)(3).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010, the public welfare requiring

it.

- 2 - 01174877